

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Bridging Elements

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 15 May 2007, which set a three-month shortened statutory period of response thereto, favorable reconsideration, reexamination, and allowance of this patent application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, with the applicable fee, is filed concurrently herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly rewrite Claims 1-17, as follows: